

REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

The Republican party in Kentucky in convention assembled adopts the following platform:

(1) We approve the policies of the National Republican party in providing for the defenses of our coasts against foreign invasion, and the protection of American industry against the pauper labor of foreign countries without imposing unnecessary or unjust burdens upon the consumer. We favor the nomination for the Presidency of a candidate who is in accord with those policies, and is representative of the spirit of progress.

(2) We condemn the inefficiency of the administration at Washington, the closing of factories, the stagnation of business and the enforced idleness of millions of workmen.

We demand the redistricting of Kentucky in legislative, senatorial, congressional and judicial districts, which shall give equal representation and equal voting power to every citizen of every district, in conformity with the plain requirements of the Constitution, and not as at present, in flagrant violation thereof.

(3) We demand the repeal of the present inflexible primary law formed for the purpose of preventing freedom of choice to the voter, and favor the enactment of a law which shall permit free nominations for judicial offices without regard to the party affiliation of the candidates so that the judiciary may be chosen on non-partisan grounds, and the continuance in office of judicial public servants may be determined by no other qualification than that of fitness.

We favor amendment of State laws permitting and encouraging joint nominations of the same candidate by the different parties. We demand the repeal of the law providing for registration certificates imposed upon the State by the Democratic party for immoral political purposes, whereby votes in Kentucky have become negotiable instruments, passing by delivery.

(4) We demand that the public schools of the State shall be taken and kept entirely out of politics, and that the interests and welfare of the children shall have first consideration in all public school matters. We call for better schools and schoolhouses, for longer school terms in the country and better pay for the teachers.

We also favor extending the aid of the State to its institutions for higher education.

(5) There should be complete publicity concerning the expenditure of money for political campaigns, and a law should be passed for the accounting by candidates and campaign managers of all sums of money collected for political purposes.

(6) We demand the enactment of a law providing for bi-partisan control of the penal and charitable institutions, and for the abolition of contract labor, and we endorse the Constitutional Amendment providing for convict labor on public roads and highways, insofar as the same may be done without injury to free or organized labor.

(7) Realizing the influence of good roads on the economic, educational, social and religious development of the State, we pledge ourselves that the present law, introduced by a Republican, authorizing State aid, shall be carried out, and the building of permanent highways throughout the State by a system guaranteeing to the people an honest expenditure of their money, shall be encouraged.

(8) We favor further legislation for the protection of labor from unnecessary bodily injury, and we favor the enactment of a fair and equitable workmen's compensation law.

(9) We favor giving to the Railroad Commission power to regulate public utilities of the State.

(10) We favor the passage of laws which shall make effective constitutional provision against the issuance of free passage to officials.

(11) We oppose double taxation, and will favor a thorough revision of the tax laws which will equally distribute the burdens of taxation, reduce the rate and not only retain the capital now invested, but invite the investment of other capital in the State. We favor the adoption by the people of the Constitutional Amendment enlarging the power of the General Assembly on the matter of taxation, and when such additional law is passed to make it effectual only when submitted to, and approved by a majority of the people who vote upon the same. We favor such regulation by law as will consolidate assessment and collection of taxes, so that the cost of collection may be materially reduced.

(12) We condemn the enactment by the Democratic party of a large number of obnoxious laws, the creation of expensive offices and commissions and the wasteful and extravagant expenditure of money, and we promise, if given power, to repeal all such laws, to abolish superfluous offices and reduce the cost of administration to the least possible point consistent with an economical and efficient system of government.

(13) Realizing the importance to the State of the prosperity of the farmers, we heartily approve of their legal efforts to secure better prices for the products of their farms, and pledge ourselves to assist them in all legal ways.

(14) For economic, as well as humane reasons, we recommend that the State of Kentucky undertake to supplement and later to continue the work of the United States Public Health Service for the prevention of blindness from trachoma, a communicable and painful disease of the eye, from which, the last census report shows that 33,000 persons are suffering in a single section of the State.

(15) We call attention to the vast resources of our State as yet undeveloped and invite capital and labor into the State to develop such resources.

(16) Expressly reserving the right of all Republicans to vote upon the question of woman's suffrage as they see fit we favor the adoption by the next General Assembly of a resolution submitting this question to the people for decision at the election of November, 1917.

(17) The Republican party in Kentucky is responsible and deserves the credit for the county unit law. In 1907 we declared definitely for the local option law with the county as the governing unit. In 1911 we again declared for the county unit law in accordance with the Constitution.

We now declare our continued adherence to the county unit law, and we do hereby endorse the present county unit law of Kentucky, and pledge ourselves to its strict and rigid enforcement, and we favor the adoption of such amendments thereto as may be necessary to make it effective beyond question.

World Peace Fantasy Yet, Declare Speakers.

San Francisco, Oct. 12.—Count Okuma, Japanese Premier and Dr. Ng Poon Chew, a Chinese editor of San Francisco, told delegates to the International Peace Congress to-day that world-peace was yet a fantasy and will be until the militaristic order of things is changed. In a message to the congress Count Okuma said there was no hope for peace "as long as there exist nations or individuals who believe or exalt themselves as absolutely superior to others and to assert that superiority do not hesitate to appeal to material forces."

On the floor of the congress to-night Dr. Ng Poon Chew added to Count Okuma's statement: "There will be wars and more wars just so long as there are two codes of laws and two standards of morality, one governing nations, the other individuals," he said.

War, the doctor said was going to keep right on in one place or another. Even China was preparing. He blamed Western militarism which he said had not only paralyzed China, but had destroyed her ideals of peace and he called Japan the disturber of

the peace of the Orient.

Selfishness, jingoism, yellow journalism and politicians are chiefly responsible for misunderstandings that have existed between the United States and Japan, said Mr. Kiyu Sue Inui, a lecturer of the Japan Society of America. A world religion, a religion including the truth of all religions and excluding all patriotic, national and racial bias, was declared to be prime requisite, for world peace by Mirza Ali Kuli Khan, Charge d'Affaires of the Persian Legation at Washington in an address before the International Peace Congress here today.

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"If the senator will just join the holy army of men that God created with such perfection of physical form that they may be fitted at a ready-made clothing store, the senator will find gods that are cheaper."

"As his statement was made in Washington, and therefore evidently referred to Washington prices, your correspondent at the capital has made an investigation. Five prominent dealers in standard makes of men's clothing—makes which have a national reputation—were asked if there had been any reduction in the price of ready-made men's clothing in the last three years.

"They all said they have had to pay as much now for their clothing as before the Underwood tariff bill went into effect, hence had to charge the consumer as much now as before. They all said that the consumer pays at least as much now for the ready-made clothing as he did three years ago.

"One dealer said that the cloth used now is no better than that used before the tariff reduction; one said that the cloth is a little better, he thought. Another said that the cloth is no better and that the reduction in tariff is made up for by a little better workmanship, such as tailoring and finishing. Two said that the cloth is about the same now as then in the \$20 to \$25 suits, and that the clothes for which these prices are paid today will not give one bit better satisfaction or better service than suits bought at the same price before the Underwood tariff bill became effective.

"The fifth dealer said that he is doing a business of over \$100,000 annually in a standard brand of clothing, and that, while the prices have not been lowered, he thought the cloth used inferior now because of the scarcity of wool. Many of the wool growers, anticipating the tariff reduction, sold their sheep and many of the sheep have been used for mutton, which has decreased the number of sheep by about 9,000,000 head. All but one of the dealers said that they had noticed that the consumer had much more money to spend before the Democratic tariff became effective.

"The cloth used in a suit of clothes costing at retail \$40 or \$50 does not cost over \$5, and very probably it costs less. There is hardly a cloth used which costs over \$1 per yard, especially of the kind used in the averaged priced suit retailing from \$40 to \$25. Suppose that the price of this cloth were reduced 10 per cent—which would be a very great reduction—this could not reduce the retail price of the suit more than 35 cents. With this reduction, a \$25 suit could be sold for \$24.65 if the consumer were given full benefit, but our investigation has shown that there has been no actual reduction.

"The assertion of the Democratic senator, quoted above, is therefore wide of the mark and must have been made merely for political effect. The Underwood tariff bill has utterly failed in its purpose with respect to this commodity, and there is no doubt that the same test may be successfully applied to other necessities.

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